

The Travels of His Lordship : Palayamkottai



Young confirmands from the orphanage and Mass Centres served from Palayamkottai.

The next stop on the pontifical tour was Palayamkottai. On Sunday 24th August, 30 souls received the sacrament of confirmation and were treated to a conference by His Lordship in the afternoon on the dangers of the modern world which are now changing the face of India (television, cinema, modern fashions,

consumerism) and the problems in the Church (a clergy given over to social work, false ecumenism, happy-clappy Masses and ignorance of the catechism).

On Wednesday a packed congregation rejoiced to be present at the marriage of Mr. Michaelas Raphael and Miss Josefin Pushpa. Michaelas, native of the village of



“In traditional families, grandmothers used to be the moral guardians of their grandchildren. No-one could escape their beady eyes!”

Christurajapuram, has lived and worked at the priory for the last 10 years since he was 18 years old. Without him, the Mission could not function. Miss Josefin’s family have been a pillar to the mission since it began. Miss Pushpa’s seminarian brother, Therasian was M.C., and her soon-to-be postulant sister was a bridesmaid. Fittingly, the marriage was witnessed by His Lordship.

May they be blessed to see their children’s children, even unto the fourth generation.



Miss Josephin Pushpa leaves her childhood home for the last time. Both mother and daughter were in silent tears.



“Late again,” thinks Michaelas to himself.